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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

Mr. Marcus Kohl Regional Director Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Northcentral Regional Office 208 W Third Street Suite 101 Williamsport, Pennsylvania 17701-6448

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Re: NPDES Permit No. PA0027049

Williamsport Sanitary Authority (also known as West Plant)

Lycoming County

Dear Mr. Marcus:

In accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region III and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP), EPA has reviewed the referenced National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) draft permit received from your office on April 10, 2014. This is a notification of EPA's general objection pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 123.44(b)(1).

This letter serves as a time extension request for the full 90-day review period, which will expire on July 9, 2014. EPA requests additional time to discuss and resolve with PADEP the Chesapeake Bay TMDL trading permit language for significant dischargers in Part C.I. of the draft permit. The Chesapeake Bay TMDL permit language enables trading to occur between point and agricultural non-point sources according to Pennsylvania regulations; however, Pennsylvania regulations have established a non-point source agricultural baseline that is in need of updating to be consistent with the Chesapeake Bay TMDL requirements.

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 123.44(b)(2), EPA will provide any additional specific comments or objections to the issuance of this permit by July 9, 2014. PADEP is prohibited from issuing the permit for this facility prior to this time without written EPA approval.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or Mr. Brian Trulear, of my staff, at (215) 814-5723.

Sincerely,

Jon M. Gapacasa, Director

Water Protection Division

cc: Kelly Heffner, PADEP Central Office Ron Furlan, PADEP Central Office Thomas Randis, PADEP Northcentral Regional Office Douglas Keith, Williamsport Sanitary Authority